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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Section (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 28, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventor Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/920,784
Filing Date	8/1/01
First Named Inventor	Averbuj, et al.
Group Art Unit	2132
Examiner Name	Daniel M. Ungar
Attorney Docket Number	010343

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
*NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 28, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 28, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued examination application (CEA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.390 (PTO/SB/30) instead of a RCE as it is eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Transition Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14863 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1123 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 14, 2000), which extended RCE practice.*

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted  
     i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on 3/28/06.  
     ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  
     iii. ☐ Other  
 b. ☒ Enclosed  
     i. ☒ Amendment/Reply  
     ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
     iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
     iv. ☐ Other


**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(e) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) required)  
 b. ☐ Other

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 which the RCE is filed.

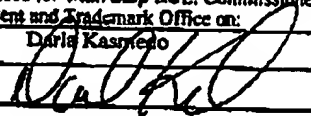
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 17-0026  
     i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)  
     ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.117)  
     iii. ☐ Other  
 b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed  
 c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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